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ITALIAN ISLANDS SURRENDER

Terrain Slows Soviet Army Drive

SUB-KILLER READY FOR ACTION

SHOWN COMPLETING her trial runs is the latest addition to our rapidly growing fleet of escort aircraft carriers. These small, deadly carriers have proven one of our most effective weapons in our successful battle against Nazi submarines by providing an aircraft umbrella for convoys crossing the Atlantic. (International)

Jap Supply Lines Cut In Solomons

Resourceful Enemy Keeps Footholds; Reports Emphasize Jungle Fighting

Allied Headquarters in the Southwest Pacific, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Japan's supply line has been cut in the Solomons and sorely strained in New Guinea, the right and left flanks of the allies' Pacific drive—but the resourceful enemy still has a precarious foothold on New Georgia and clings to Salamaua.

Reports in today's communique from both ends of the 750-mile battle are emphasize clearly the jungle character of the Pacific war and the determination of the Japanese to make the most of the topography.

The communique told of American jungle troops in the Solomons going after pockets of enemy resistance Thursday on atolls and islets only a mile or so west of the Munda airfield on New Georgia which was wrested from the Japanese August 5. On August 15, the Americans occupied Vella Lavella island, 45 miles northwest of Munda, and the communique announcing its capture pointedly explained that the Japanese sea supply line to both New Georgia and Kolombangara had been severed.

Despite that, the Japanese have remained on small isles near Munda, even shelling the field, making necessary the liquidation campaign which today's communique discussed. They also are hanging on at Barokoa Harbor.

In the northeastern New Guinea fighting zone, the communique reported consolidation of American and Australian positions on ridges five miles southwest of Salamaua. This is within three miles of the airdrome, the primary objective.

Father-Draft May Exclude War Workers

Washington, Aug. 20—(AP)—War manpower commission's spokesmen today saw a "strong possibility" that the only pre-Pearl Harbor fathers to face induction under the October draft quota of about 312,000 will be those in non-deferrable jobs.

They repeated, however, that there had been no change in plans to begin on October 1 the induction of the pre-war father class—those whose children were born before last September 15.

The officials said they had absolutely no confirmation of rumors that there would be any reduction in the previously announced goal of 10,800,000 men and women in the armed forces by the end of 1943. Instead, they said, there were indications that the total might mount even higher, in view of figures released this week by Secretary of the Navy Knox. Knox estimated that the Navy, Coast Guard and Marines would have 2,861,000 in uniform by January 1, while the Army has set its sights on 8,200,000.

Cotton Prices Little Changed

New York, Aug. 20—(AP)—Cotton futures (old contracts) opened unchanged to 5 cents a bale higher.

	Previous Close	Today's Open
October	19.92	19.93
December	19.79	19.79
March	19.65	19.65
May	19.51	19.50
July	19.37	19.35
May	19.51	19.50

Air Warfare Holds Pace

London, Aug. 20—(AP)—Four British Mosquito bombers again attacked targets in Berlin last night while fighters struck at airfields and railways targets on the continent, it was announced today.

The night raids followed blows by allied planes, including American Flying Fortresses, at four of Germany's most important air bases in Holland and France yesterday. A joint British-American communique disclosed 50 enemy craft were shot down yesterday.

Intruders last night attacked railway and airfield targets in France and Belgium.

Liquor Plant Discovered In Prison

Raleigh, Aug. 20—(AP)—A miniature fermentation plant filled with ingredients to make a "pretty strong" drink has been discovered in Central prison here and the two operators placed in confinement, Warden Ralph McLean said today.

The potential spirits, made of cornmeal, molasses and hot water, were discovered in a storehouse while the mixture was still hot, McLean said.

An investigation, he said, showed that the beverage was made by Hershell Carver, sentenced in Buncombe county to life for accessory before the fact of murder; and M. J. Moore, alias C. J. Davis of Atlanta, Ga., sentenced to 18 to 20 years for assault with a deadly weapon and robbery with firearms.

McLean said the prisoners obtained the ingredients from the prison kitchen and that another prisoner, as yet unknown, was involved. They had about seven gallons of mash.

Internee Exchange Is Sought

Washington, Aug. 20—(AP)—Undersecretary of State Welles announced today that the United States has requested safe conduct for the exchange ship Gripsholm and has "good reason to hope" that an exchange of American for Japanese civilian internees would be carried out at Mormugao, Portuguese India, by October 15.

The Gripsholm, a Swedish liner, last year brought home 1,500 Americans from Far Eastern areas occupied by Japan.

Welles said that as soon as additional details are available the State department would inform relatives and friends of Americans expected to come home on the Gripsholm.

Welles also called attention to a War department announcement that the sailing date of the Gripsholm to the Far East has been advanced, necessitating the receipt of packages to be sent to prisoners of war and civil internees in that area, in New York by midnight, August 27.

Nazis Offer Increasing Resistance

Red Army Troops Battle Their Way Through Forests And Swamps

Moscow, Aug. 20—(AP)—Difficult going in terrain naturally lending itself to defense was reported slowing down the Red army today as it pressed twin drives on the nazi bastion of Bryansk and Kharkov.

Front line dispatches to the Soviet army organ Red Star reported that Russian troops on the central front were encountering "considerable difficulties and enormous strain" as they battled their way through forests and swamps and across numerous small rivers toward Bryansk.

The nature of the country, the dispatches said, offered many advantages to the nazi defenders.

On the Kharkov front in the Ukraine, some 240 miles south of Bryansk, Russian troops were said to be encountering stiff resistance in attempts to overcome German defenses based on hills forming a natural line around the city.

Action in this sector was sharpening in the face of mounting German counter attacks, while the Red army air force pounded heavily at bases in the enemy rear in an endeavor to cripple supply routes.

A fierce battle was reported in one area of the front east of Bryansk where Soviet troops were said to have attacked enemy positions located on four villages. The terrain was such, front line dispatches said, that neither side was able to use tanks, and infantrymen slugged it out at close quarters.

Fresh German battalions were repeatedly hurled into the fray but were unable to hold off the charging Red army, which methodically cleared one village after the other and threw the nazis back into a new line, the Russians said.

Subsidies Plan Ready

Start of Program Expected to be Made Before Congress Resumes Session

Washington, Aug. 20—(AP)—Ranking officials predicted today that the administration's new cost of living subsidy plan will be in operation before Congress returns next month but it will be necessary for the lawmakers to provide the wherewithall.

Because existing subsidis were spared the congressional axe only through a presidential veto, the expectation has grown here that the administration would sidestep further subsides without an OK by Congress.

However, since James F. Byrns, director of war mobilization, has promised a substantial cut in the cost of living, other officials let it be known that a new subsidy plan is about to be unveiled.

While details are highly secret, it is estimated the cost to the government will range from $500,000,000 to over $1,000,000,000. Apparently, the present method and better subsidis will continue on their present 10 per cent basis. The new plan is seen as likely to add to the government-financed price reduction.

One official who should know suggested the new program "will contain a little of everything," meaning direct subsidies, government purchase and resale-at-loss operations, and other devices.

The idea is for the government to buy all or nearly all of a crop at a handsome price, to encourage maximum farm production, and then to resell it to the trade at a price that [illegible]

CHIEFS OF STAFF WITH LEADERS AT QUEBEC

On the terrace of the citadel at Quebec the heads of the governments of the United States, Great Britain and Canada are pictured with their chiefs of staff at the war strategy conference. Seated (l. to r.) are Canadian Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain. Standing (l. to r.) are General H. H. Arnold, commander of the U. S. Army Air Forces; Sir Charles Portal, Chief Marshal, Royal Air Forces; Sir Alan Brooke, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Great Britain; Admiral Ernest J. King, Chief of Operations, U. S. Navy; Sir John Dill, former Chief of Staff to the Imperial General Staff; General George Marshal, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Sir Dudley Pound, chief of the British Naval Staff; and Admiral William Leahy, Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-chief of the United States Army and Navy. (International Soundphoto.)

Will Appeal Leaf Ceiling

North Carolina And Virginia Chiefs Accompany Group to Capital

Raleigh, Aug. 20—(AP)—Governor Broughton said today that a Virginia-North Carolina delegation would go to Washington next Wednesday to try to get the office of price administration to raise the tobacco ceiling to a minimum of 17 cents. The ceiling is now 11 cents.

Both Broughton and Governor Colgate Darden of Virginia will accompany the agricultural leaders. In the North Carolina delegation will be W. Kerr Scott, state commissioner of agriculture; Harry W. Caldwell, master of the state Grange; J. E. Windley of Greenville, president of the state Farm Bureau Federation; Representative Clarence Stone of Rockingham; Senator J. Conn Lanier of Greenville, and a number of tobacco growers and warehousemen.

Broughton said that the Virginia delegation would seek primarily to raise the ceiling price for the Old Belt market, which opens later, but that North Carolinians would work in the interest of raising the ceiling for the earlier belts also.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA: Continued cold this afternoon, tonight and Saturday forenoon.

First Hint Of Plans Comes From Quebec

Mines Listed For Return

Washington, Aug. 20—(AP)—Secretary of the Interior Ickes has listed five non-strike coal mines in Ohio, West Virginia and Alabama for return to private ownership.

This first step toward ending government possession and operation of the mines was expected to be announced today by the office of war information. Ickes' coal mine administrator declined to identify the mines so scheduled on the action.

Ickes has operated some 5,700 of Sec Fulton's mines, the 92 properties since May 1, when the first of three general stoppages by John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers was called.

RING SHORTAGE

New York, Aug. 20—(AP)—The diamond ring ceremony, once [illegible] add continental touch, is threatening such wartime proportions that it threatens the future supply of engagement rings.

The sentimental link of [illegible] national gold band now is decorated by many lasting men. W. W. Fox, Schenectady, a member of the Montgomery Ward Company board to the War Production Board, said today such a result, however, from now [illegible] must be being plagued with a [illegible] shortage of rings.

British Minister Of Information Says Pacific Offensive Included in Strategy

Quebec, Aug. 20—(AP)—The Quebec war conference, driving forward to advance the zero hour for invasion of the European continent, produced today a strong, official indication that tremendous new operations against Japan also are in the making.

Brendan Bracken, British minister of information, supplied it. He was the first high participant in the war councils to give any inkling of what was going on behind the guarded portals of Quebec citadel, where President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill are planning the strategy which may settle the fate of the world.

"These plans," Bracken told a press conference last night, "are to bomb and burn and ruthlessly destroy, in every way available to us, the people responsible for creating this war."

His words were sufficiently ambiguous to embrace not only the war in Europe but also Japan, and he underscored them by declaring that "it is one war."

We have now begun to settle plans for the Pacific campaign in Europe where Russia continues to grind down German strength in the east, he said that the allied high command is giving its urgent attention to filling the utmost air power of that coalition to drive home the strength through amphibious assaults in the west.

Of the master plan for global war now being evolved in the secret deliberation on the shores of the St. Lawrence, Bracken disclosed no details.

ABC Sales $1,280,639.50

Raleigh, Aug. 20—(AP)—Liquor sales in the 25 wet counties of North Carolina totaled a little less than $7,000,000 in July and brought in $1,280,639.50, the State board of alcoholic control announced today.

Sales for July, 1942, totaled $5,000,000 for $1,137,510.41, while money received last June totaled $1,174,200.90. Rationing of whiskey has brought increased sales of higher priced brands.

New Hanover county again led the state in July with sales amounting to $158,755.25, followed by Durham with $140,206.40, and Wake with $124,005.60.

Other sales included: Beaufort, $32,545.55; Edgecombe, $54,334.35; Greene, $7,266.10; Lenoir, $64,534.40; Nash, $39,646.70; Pitt, $46,484.85; Vance, $30,619.95; Warren, $16,355.[illegible]

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American Naval Units Take Charge

Occupation of Main Island of Aeolian Group Places All At Allied Disposal

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Aug. 20—(AP)—Lipari and Stromboli islands, in the Tyrrhenian sea northwest of Messina, have surrendered to a United States naval expedition, it was announced today.

The occupation of Lipari and Stromboli, the main islands of the Aeolian group, places the whole group at the disposal of the allies, a naval communique said.

Stromboli lies off Italy's Gulf of Eufemia about 70 miles above Messina. Lipari is 35 miles northwest of the captured straits port.

Both north Africa air forces and U. S. Liberators from the Middle East attacked the Italian city of Foggia yesterday by daylight and darkness, causing heavy damage despite strong fighter opposition.

Thirty-four enemy fighters were shot down, a communique said, in this action, one of the greatest raids of the Mediterranean war. Five more axis planes were destroyed over southern Italy, and another was bagged Wednesday night.

Seventeen allied planes were lost during all operations.

The allied mass bombing tactics that had knocked out every important target in Sicily were applied to Foggia, 20 miles inland from the Adriatic coast by Fortresses and Liberators during the day and Wellingtons after dark. Foggia, a large industrial city and railway junction, lies 100 miles southeast of Rome.

British cruisers and destroyers steaming up the west coast of the Calabrian peninsula Tuesday night bombarded Scilla, some 26 miles south of Cape Pelorus where the railway ferries go to the sicily [illegible] installations on both sides of the Calabrian peninsula and on the eastern shore of the Straits of Messina," the naval communique added.

Italy's King Hints Peace

Broadcast to Sicily Declares Island's Present Isolation Will Not Last Long

London, Aug. 20—(AP)—King Vittorio Emanuele told Sicilians in a proclamation broadcast by the Rome radio today that the present isolation of Sicily from the rest of Italy "will not last long" and he made no mention of continued prosecution of the war.

The broadcast of the proclamation was recorded by the Associated Press.

The king applied his message by reviving that Premier Pietro Badoglio and former Premier Vittorio Emanuele Orlando previously had addressed the Italian people.

The king pointedly stressed Sicily's loyalty to the monarch in general and the house of Savoy in particular. He spoke of Italy as wounded and predicted the "certain resurrection of your country, generous and strong."

A later broadcast by the Rome radio indicated the king was trying to forestall a separatist movement rather than to imply that peace was in the offing.

Quoting the newspaper Il Messaggero, it said rumors had reached Italy that the Sicilians were trying to set up their own government; declared that at the "present moment separation is a crime against the mother country." Sicilians have long been at best lukewarm toward having mainland Italians as their rulers [illegible]